met with a canoa with three Indians, one of them an old man, and him they took for guide Up these rivers they sailed westward for many days often in great distress for lack of victuals

At length they reached a port called Morequito where they were visited by ths old King of that place called Topiawari, to whom Sir Walter made known the cause of his coming thither, of her Majesty's greatness, her justice, her chanty to all oppressed nations, with many other of her beauties and virtues, and that her pleasure was to deliver them from the tyranny of the Spaniards, all which being with great admiration attentively heard and marvellously admired, he began to sound the old man concerning Guiana

The next day they sailed westward up to the river called Caroh, as well because it was marvellous of itself as also because it led to the strongest nations of all the frontiers; these are enemies of the Epuremi, that abound in gold, being subjects to Inga, Emperor of Guiana and Manoa. But when they came to this river, they could not row one stone's cast in an hour by reason of the force of the stream Sir Walter therefore sent his guide to the people of those parts and there came down a lord or casique called Wanuretona, with many people and much store of provision Of them he learnt that all who were either against the Spaniards or the Epuremi would join with him, and that if he entered the land over the mountains of Curaa he should satisfy himself with gold and all other good things

Here they landed to go by foot to view the great river, and to see if they could find any mineral stone alongst the river side [9] and when they came to the tops of the hills adjoining to the

rivers they beheld that wonderful breach of waters which ran down Caroh, and might from that mountain see the river how it ran in three parts over twenty miles off , and there appeared some ten or twelve overfalls in sight, every one as high over the other as a church tower For his own part Sir Walter would have returned from thence, but the rest were all so desirous to go near the strange thunder of waters that they drew him on by little and little, till they came into the next valley where they might better discern it. * I never saw,' saith he, * a more beautiful country, nor more lively prospects, hills so raised here